(e) Noi applicable in view of reply at (c) above.

Sharing of Telecom Technology

5387. SHRI AHMED MOHMEDBHAI PATEL :
SHRI SURESH PACHOURI :

Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state ;

(a) whether India has urged developing industrial nations to share telecommunications technologies with the developing world for mutual benefit;

(b) whether India has also offered to share with other nations the tecnologies developed by it, specially for small and medium switching;

(c) whether he has made a point at the World Telecom Development Conference;

(d) if so, what were the decisions arrived at;

(e) whether it is a fact that a number of agreements have been reached to share telecom technology by India and other countries; and

(f) the countries with whom the sharing of telecom technology has been signed ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI SUKH RAM) : (a) to (d) Yes Sir, in the World Telecom Development Conference held in Argentina during 21st to 29th March, 1994, India urged advanced countries to share their technologies with others. India's willingness to share technology developed by India with other countries was also emphasized. India's view on technology transfer by developed countries to developing countries has widely appreciated and the same was entrusted to a committee for suggesting ways and means of transfering the technology quickly and on affordable terms.

(e) and (f) No agreements for sharing of Telecom Technology have been reached at the Conference. However, separately, agreement for sharing of Telecom Technology have been reached with Vietnam. Memorandum of Understanding has also been signed with Russia, Nigeria and Pakistan for setting up joint ventures for manufacture of equipment.

Expenditure on Advertisements

5388. SHRI MOHAMMED AFZAL ALIAS MEEM AFZAL : Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state :

(a) what is the amount spent by Mahanagar Telephone Nigam Limited, Delhi on advertisements during the year 1993-94; and

(b) what is the total amount paid to different newspapers, language-wise during the said period ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI SUKH RAM) : (a) An amount of Rs. 87,04,451/- has been spent by MTNL, Delhi on advertisements during the year 1993-94 including the Bills for Rs. 1,91,404/-which are still awaited from the advertising agencies.

(b) The details of amount paid to different newspapers language-wise during 1993-94 is given below :

English Newspapers	Hindi Newspapers	Souvenirs English
Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
61,36,310/-	23,70,237/-	6,500/-
1,26,236/-	65,168/-	—
62,62,546/-	24,35,405/	6,500/-

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5389. **श्री सत्य प्रकाश मालवीय** : क्या संचार मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) इलाहाबाद में टेलीफोन सलाहकार समिति का गठन किस तारीख को किया गया था और इसका कार्यकाल कब तक का है, और

(ख) इस समिति के वर्तमान सदस्यों के नाम और पते क्या-क्या है ?